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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Re:

In the Matter of Section 63.71 Application of Remi Retail Communications, LLC WC Docket No. 08-17, DA 08-315

Dear Secretary Dortch:

By Public Notice released on February 7, 2008, the Commission invited comments on the Application of Remi Retail Communications, LLC to Discontinue Domestic Telecommunications Services. The Notice provided that the Application would be automatically granted on March 9, 2008. In response to the Notice, Federated Investors Management Company filed four comments on February 21 and 22, 2008 seeking an extension of time to migrate services from Remi. As discussed below, Federated Investors has informed Remi that it is migrating its voice services to Verizon and has received assurances from Verizon that current voice services will not be terminated until the replacement services are active, and that it has a contingency plan in place for faxing which is provisioned over Remi's Next Generation Network ("NGN").

On Friday February 29, 2008, Gary Hawthorn, Remi's Controller, had a telephone conference with Raymond Domachowski, Maroon DeVito, and Joseph Nicoletti of Federated Investors. During the discussion Raymond Domachowski indicated that Federated has signed agreements with Verizon to replace all of the voice communications services currently being provided by Remi Retail Communications, LLC and has received assurances from Verizon (Remi's underlying service provider) that current voice services will not be terminated until the new Verizon services are installed and in service. Voice services, currently delivered via 35 PRIs and 145 analog dialtone lines into 3 separate locations, comprise the majority of the services that Remi provides to Federated Investors. These voice services represent approximately 96% of Remi's monthly billings to Federated Investors.

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Remi also provides two additional NGN PRIs, into two separate locations, which Federated Investors uses to provide data access for their fax servers. As of the conference call on Friday, February 29, 2008, Federated indicated that it still had not signed an agreement with an alternative carrier to replace these two PRIs. Federated indicated that it was considering proposals from two alternate providers. Gary Hawthorn expressed concern that Federated had not yet signed an agreement to replace these two PRIs, given Remi's planned end date of March 9, 2008 and asked if it had a contingency plan for faxing. Federated indicated that it does have a contingency plan, but faxing under that plan would be less efficient than under their current service arrangement with Remi.

Remi provides NGN services to 33 of its 351 customers. Fourteen of those customers have either already successfully migrated their NGN services to another carrier or have scheduled number port dates that fall within the planned end date of March 9, 2008. Five additional customers are in the process of migration, but have scheduled number port dates beyond the March 9th end date. In response to these five port requests, Remi has requested that the customers' respective new carriers expedite their port dates to avoid service interruptions. Of the remaining fourteen customers, four purchase internet access only.

Remi requests that the Commission grant its Application to Discontinue effective March 9, 2008. All customers were notified on January 25, 2008 that Remi planned to discontinue all of its services on February 25, 2008 as a result of Verizon's termination of wholesale services to Remi. Regarding NGN services, Remi is willing to voluntarily extend the discontinuance date for one week, until March 16, 2008. According to all the information available to Remi, an additional week should permit NGN customers the ability to successfully migrate their services to another carrier. At this point in time, Remi's financial and personnel resources are continuing to diminish and Remi may not have the resources to continue to provide NGN services beyond an additional week.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

cc: Rodney McDonald, Wireline Competition Bureau FCC (via email)